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PROCESS FOR THE PRODUCTION OF ALIMENTARY

SMOKE BY PYROLYSIS, THE USE OF MEANS PARTICULARLY ADAPTED TO SAID PROCESS,

SMOKE AND SMOKED FOODSTUFFS OBTAINED

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Sir:

The following preliminary amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.

An $\mbox{{\bf Appendix}}$ is attached following the signature page of this paper.